## PATENT APPLICATION

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For: LASER APPARATUS IN WHICH LASER DIODES AND CORRESPONDING

COLLIMATOR LENSES ARE FIXED TO BLOCK, AND FIBER MODULE IN WHICH

LASER APPARATUS IS COUPLED TO OPTICAL FIBER

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Abstract for JP 2002-158389, JP 2000-091688, JP 09-295355, JP 11-014869, JP 09-178987 and

JP 09-015472 are submitted herewith. It is noted that JP 6-334262 (and corresponding U.S.

Patent No. 5,500,869) was previously cited in an IDS.

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